

*Amendments to the Specification*

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following amended paragraph:

[0001] This application is a divisional of ~~and claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120~~ to U.S. Application No. 09/411,977, filed October 4, 1999 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,372,473, issued April 16, 2002), which is a continuation-in-part of ~~and claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to~~ U.S. Application No. 09/084,491, filed May 27, 1998 (now abandoned), which is a ~~non-provisional of~~ and claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/048,000, filed May 28, 1997. Each of these applications, and its corresponding sequence listing(s), is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.